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LETTER DATED 9 SEPTEMBER 1999 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BRAZIL TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Upon instruction from my Government, I wish to request the convening of a formal meeting of the Security Council, based on rule 2 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, to discuss the grave and alarming situation in East Timor. Brazil believes that the formal meeting should take the form of an open debate and be convened with the necessary urgency.

The Government of Brazil feels that the general membership should be able to express its perceptions. Brazil is confident that those perceptions will assist Indonesian authorities in deciding the best way to fulfil their obligations under the 5 May Tripartite Agreements.

(Signed) Gelson FONSECA
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